

# Game Theory

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Power Control

- Power control
  - Classical approach
  - Game theoretic solutions

# Power control for wireless systems

- Recall our wireless design example last class:
  - Physical layer performance measure: bit error rate (BER)
  - Based on the used modulation scheme: BER target can be mapped into an SIR (signal to interference ratio) target
  - Reliable communication → meet target BER/SIR
    - **How can you achieve this?**
      - **WIRELESS SYSTEMS: INTERFERENCE LIMITED**
      - Dynamically adjust to the current interference pattern (level):
        - » **Change powers**
        - » **Change transmission rate**
        - » **Waveform adaptation**
        - » **MAC: schedule transmission**
        - » **Routes: affect interference distribution in an ad hoc network**

# Power control

Select your power level that you exactly meet your target SIR,  $\gamma_0$

- If  $SIR > \gamma_0$ , use too much power
  - battery drain
  - interference with others
- If  $SIR < \gamma_0$ , packets cannot be received correctly →  
→ retransmissions – energy inefficient

## Power Control cont.

- Assume that:  $Q$  transmitters use the same channel  $C_0$

They have power:  $P = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_Q)^T$

$p_i$  the power at the  $i^{\text{th}}$  transmitter  
 $i = 1, 2, \dots, Q$

- The expression for SIR at receiver  $i$  is

$$SIR_i = \frac{g_{ii} p_i}{\sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^Q g_{ij} p_j + n_i}$$

$g_{ij}$  - link gain

$n_i$  - noise power at receiver  $i$

# Power Control cont.

- Transmitter  $i$  is supported if :

$$SIR_i \geq \gamma_0 \quad \gamma_0 - \text{target SIR}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_i \geq \gamma_0 \left( \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^Q \frac{g_{ij}}{g_{ii}} p_j + \frac{n_i}{g_{ii}} \right) (*)$$

power to select if all other powers are kept fixed

-Denote  $\frac{g_{ij}}{g_{ii}} = h_{ij} \quad \frac{n_i}{g_{ii}} = \eta_i$

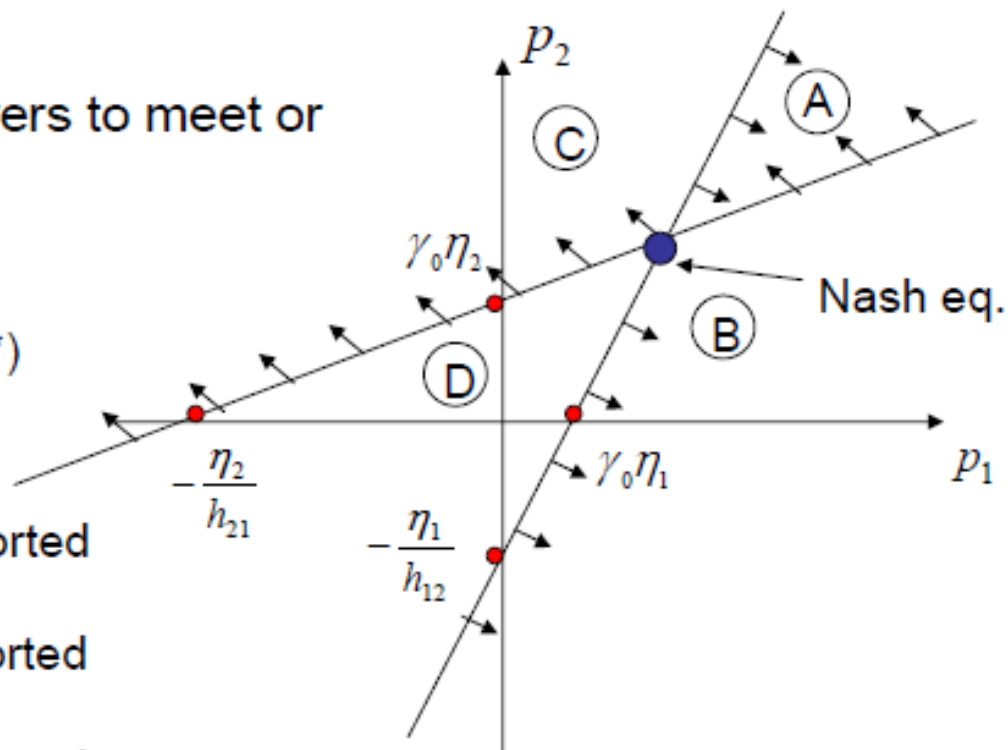
- In a system (\*) has to be hold for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, Q$

Game: strategy – power  
utility - SIR

# Simple 2 user example

- Users adjust their powers to meet or exceed target SIR:

$$\begin{cases} p_1 \geq \gamma_0(h_{12}p_2 + \eta_1) \\ p_2 \geq \gamma_0(h_{21}p_1 + \eta_2) \end{cases} \quad (*)$$



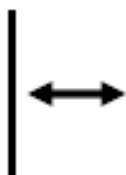
- (A) - both users can be supported
- (B) - only user1 can be supported
- (C) - only user2 can be supported
- (D) - none can be supported

Minimum power solution: achieved for equality in (\*)

$$\begin{cases} p_1 = \gamma_0(h_{12}p_2 + \eta_1) \\ p_2 = \gamma_0(h_{21}p_1 + \eta_2) \end{cases}$$

Reaction functions

# Nash equilibrium and minimum power solution

- **Game theoretic solution:**
  - **Nash equilibrium**
  - Existence?
  - Uniqueness?
  - Pareto efficiency?
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- **Classic approach**
  - **Minimum power solution**
  - Feasibility condition for power control
  - Power efficiency???



# Power Control Feasibility

- How many users can you support to maximize capacity, while maintaining SIR requirement?
- Feasibility conditions:  
For  $Q$  users:

$$(I - H)P \geq \eta$$

$$H_{Q \times Q} \rightarrow H_{ij} = (h_{ij}) \quad h_{ij} = \begin{cases} \gamma_0 \frac{g_{ij}}{g_{ii}} & i \neq j \\ 0 & i = j \end{cases}$$
$$\eta = (\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots, \eta_Q)^T$$